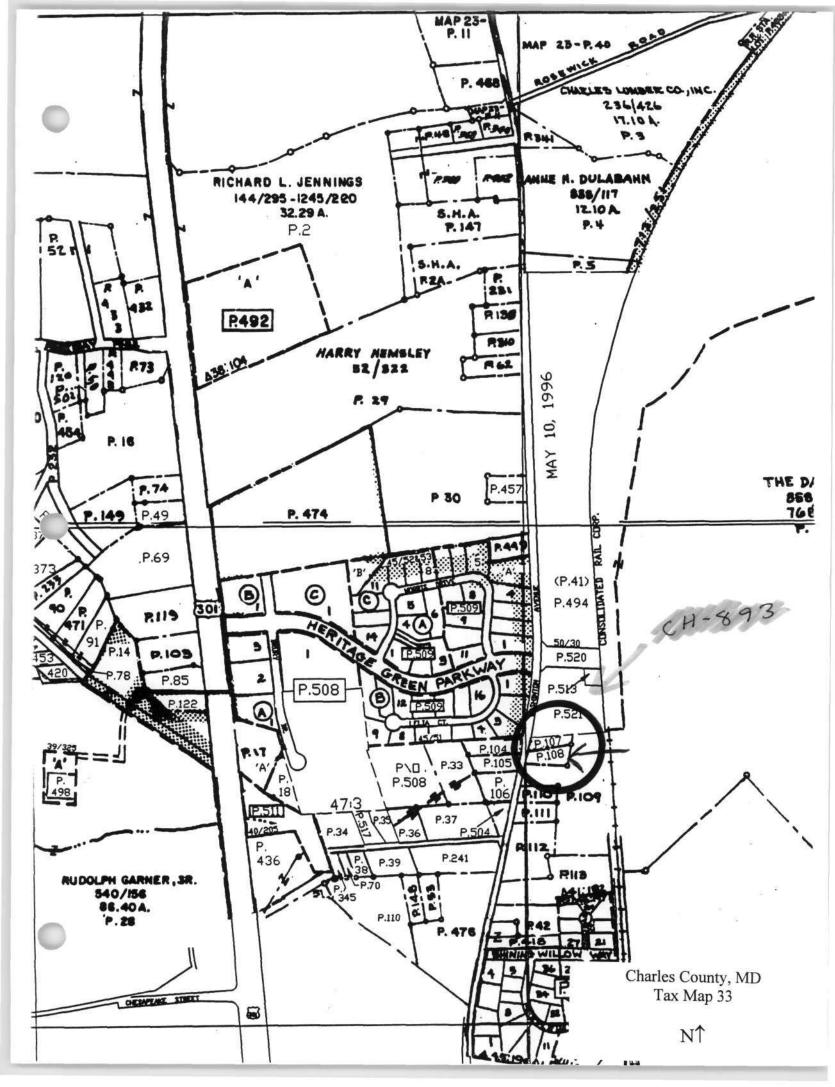
## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: Inventory Number: H-893
Address: 1008 Washington Avenue, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata
Owner: Jenkins, Jenifer Paul X and Bertha
Tax Parcel Number: 187 108  Tax Map Number: 33
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no yes Name: Date:
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended _X
CriteriaABCD Considerations:ABCDEFG _X None
Is property located within a historic district?: X no _ yes Name of District:
Is district listed?: X no _ yes
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)
1008 Washington Avenue is a one-and-one-half-story, wood frame dwelling. The house is covered by a front gable roof. It appears that the main entry has been enclosed by a front gable projecting bay, therefore, eliminating direct access from Washington Avenue. The base of the house is clad with vertical wood paneling and the upper portion and projecting bay are clad with horizontal siding. A single, 1/1 double-hung, sash window sits to the north of the projecting bay, while paired 1/1 double-hung, sash windows sit to the south of the projecting bay.
Charles County's late 19th- and early 20th-century history is dominated by industrial and urban development. The greatest impact upon community growth came from the railroad. The completion of the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad's (B&P) mainline from Bowie in Prince George's County to Pope's Creek in Charles County in 1872 prompted local entrepreneurs to establish stores and other commercial facilities near the railroad stations. The B&P Railroad also made inland farms accessible, thus, increasing their value and revitalizing the practice of agriculture in Southern Maryland. As a main stop on the B&P line, La Plata was able to expand both commercially and residentially. La Plata station still stands at the intersection of the rail line with Charles Street.
Prepared by EHT Traceries, Inc.
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW  Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended Criteria: _ A _ B _ C _ D _ E _ F _ G _ None
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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services  7/9/2
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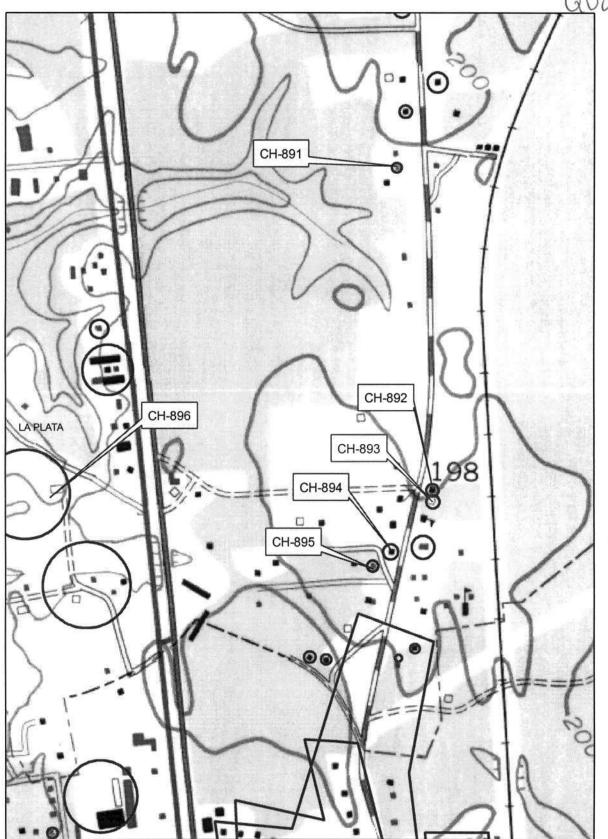
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Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments also contributed to La Plata's community evolution. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway, later expanded as part of U.S. 301, attracted new development to older communities along its corridor. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to the Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s.

Built circa 1910, this vernacular dwelling is not eligible for the National Register. While this house was typical of the modest residential development within La Plata, this resource has been altered and lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



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